



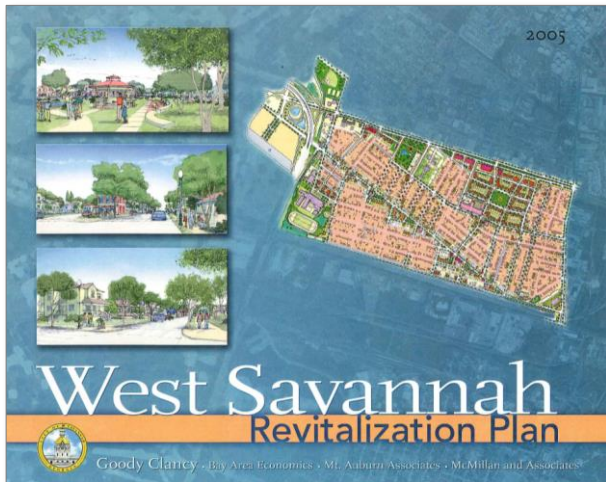
West Savannah Revitalization Plan (2005) & Augusta Avenue Corridor Revitalization Plan (2012) Implementation Update

*January 22, 2019
Moses Jackson Community Center*

WEST SAVANNAH REVITALIZATION PLAN

Plan Components Completed and Underway

- Housing
- Open Space
- Civic Institutions
- Infrastructure
- Streets and Circulation
- Workforce and Economic Development



WEST SAVANNAH REVITALIZATION PLAN

\$72 Million Investment to Date*

Project	Expenditures (Public) **	Private Investment***	Total <u>Public+Private</u>
Baker-Fell Street Park	\$289,000	-	\$289,000
Moses Jackson Community Center	\$1,267,961	-	\$1,267,961
Moses Jackson Advancement Center	\$839,229	-	\$839,229
<u>Fellwood Site Infrastructure</u>	\$3,658,417	-	\$3,658,417
Augusta Avenue Corridor Revitalization	\$807,597	-	\$807,597
Other - West Savannah and Corridors	\$28,890	-	\$28,890
Housing - Sustainable <u>Fellwood</u>	-	\$43,000,000	\$43,000,000
Housing - Infill Development	\$6,009,500	\$4,422,826	\$10,432,326
Housing - Home Purchase Assistance	\$3,358,448	\$7,065,758	\$10,424,206
Housing - Home Repairs	\$1,113,039	\$618,411	\$1,731,450
Total	\$17,372,081	\$55,106,995	\$72,479,076

TOTAL INVESTMENT = \$72,479,076

*Does **not** include workforce/economic development programming.

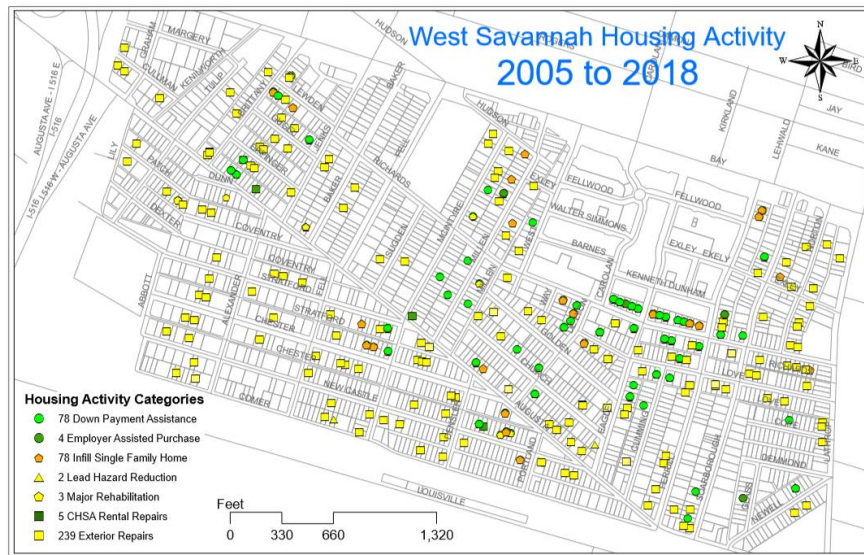
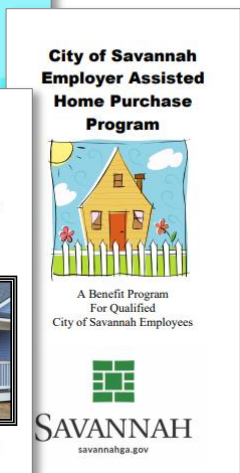
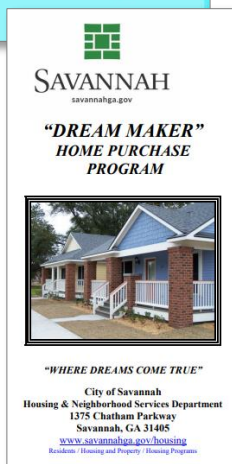
**Public funding sources include SPLOST, General Fund, Savannah Affordable Housing Solutions Fund, and Community Development Fund (CDGB, HOME, NSP).

***Private investments include revenue from sale of tax credits, mortgages, non-profit donations, homeowner cash, volunteer labor, and waived fees.

HOUSING

Housing Development & Repair (2005-2018):

- 320 Sustainable Fellwood apartments built
- 244 Owner-occupied home repair projects
- 5 Single family rental repair loans
- 82 Homes purchased
- 78 Single family houses built
- **729 Total**



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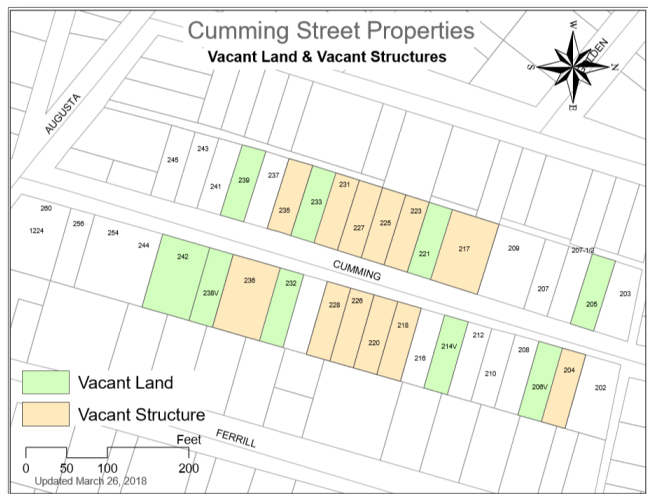
Sustainable Fellwood:

- Demolition completed, 2008
- Infrastructure improvements (streets, sidewalk, parks) completed
- 220 multifamily units completed, 2011 and 2012; LEED Gold certified
- 100-unit senior apartment building with solar panels completed, 2013

HOUSING

Cumming Street Blighted Property Redevelopment

- Location suggested by neighborhood association.
- 57% of Cumming Street properties are blighted, abandoned, and contribute to:
 - Crime and criminal behavior
 - Fire
 - Loss of property values, owner equity and wealth building
 - Inability to attract investment, buyers and renters
 - Lower quality of life for neighborhood residents
- Pursuing acquisition and redevelopment of 10 blighted, abandoned, properties.
 - Eminent domain may be used to acquire 7 properties.
 - 7 new houses planned for home buyers.



OPEN SPACE



- “The Weeping Time” historical marker completed, 2008
- Baker Street Park dedicated, 2013
- Former Wingmen’s Motorcycle Club site acquired and cleared, 2010
- Newell Street greenspace acquired, 2010
- New parks along Augusta Avenue
 - Stratford Street passive park design completed; construction planned for 3rd quarter 2019

CIVIC INSTITUTIONS



Moses Jackson Center:

- Parking lot expansion, 2007
- Eastern wing (Advancement Center), 2010
- Western wing roof replacement and new entryway, 2014



INFRASTRUCTURE



Utility Pole Relocation

- Poles removed/relocated where needed for sidewalk installation.
- Utility companies co-locating lines on new, taller poles, resulting in overall reduction of poles.

West Bay Street Improvements

- GDOT median and streetscape improvements, sidewalk and crosswalk improvements, traffic signal upgrades, new transit stops.
- Expected completion date: July 2019

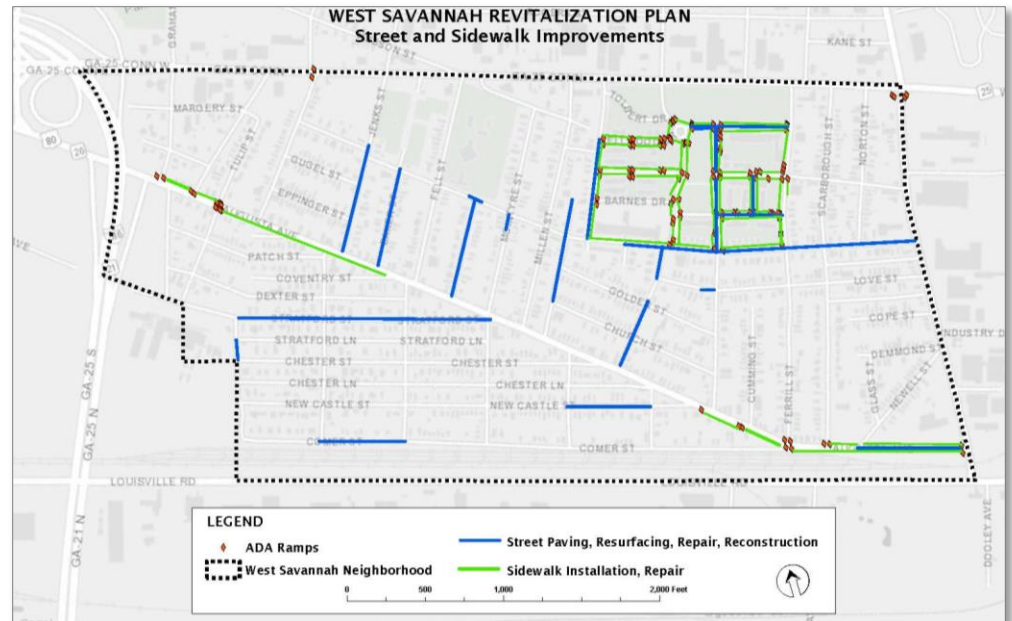


STREETS & CIRCULATION



Street paving, repair and resurfacing:

- 26 street segments completed, 2010-2016

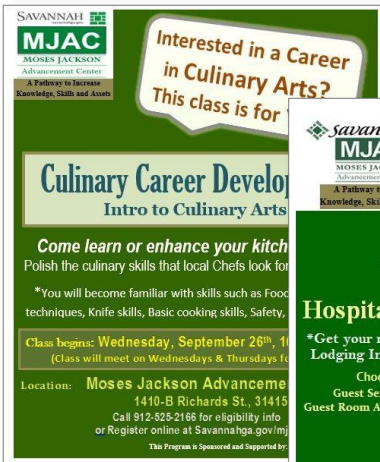


WORKFORCE/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

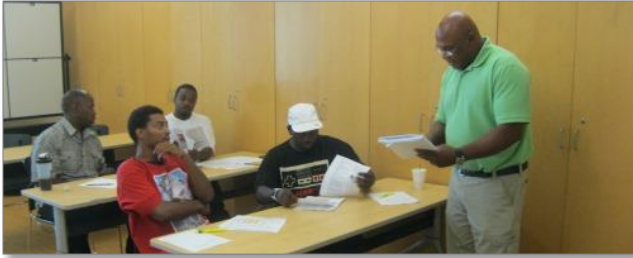


Moses Jackson Advancement Center

- Workforce development
 - Chatham Apprentice Program: 151 participants, 2016-present
 - Savannah Technical College workforce programs: manufacturing, warehousing/distribution; commercial driver's license, 2010-2015
 - Goodwill Hospitality Certification Program: 140 students certified 2017-present
 - Culinary Career Development and Customer Service, 2015



WORKFORCE/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



Moses Jackson Advancement Center

- Business development
 - UGA/Savannah Entrepreneurial Center *How to Start a Business* classes: 30 classes/164 participants, 2016-present
 - UGA *How to Write a Business Plan* series, 2014
 - Savannah State University business development classes: 75 adults and youth, 2010-2012

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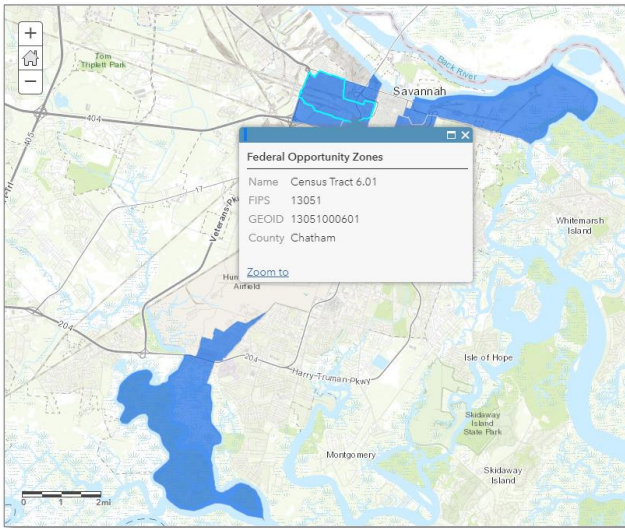
- Employment assistance services
 - 7 Job Fairs/93 employers/506 participants, 2016-present; 5 Job Fairs, 2014-2015
 - 6 Hiring Events/86 participants, 2016-present
 - 106 participants found employment, 2015-present
 - 14 Job Readiness Trainings/Classes, 2014-present
 - 987 services provided (resume writing, job searches, interview skills, referrals, clothing, bus passes), 2016-present

WORKFORCE/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



Enterprise Zone

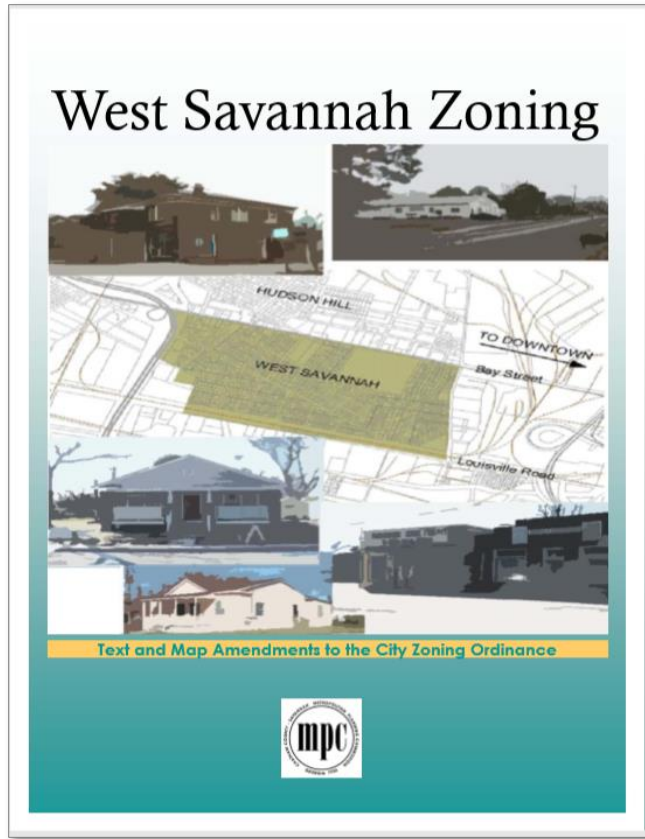
- Sustainable Fellwood Enterprise Zone concluded December 31, 2017.
- Helped attract over \$37,259,542 and create 332 housing units since created in 2007.



Federal Opportunity Zone

- Census Tract 6.01 (West Savannah) selected as Opportunity Zone under new federal incentive program.
- Program aims to increase investment in businesses and developments in underserved communities.

ZONING

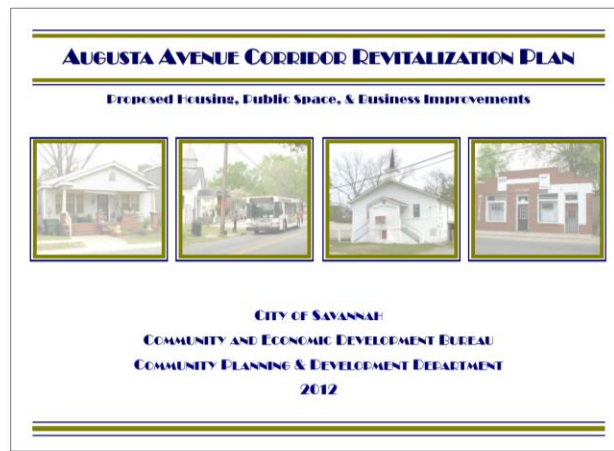


MPC Zoning Study (2006)

- Land use and zoning changes to address:
 - Concerns expressed by residents;
 - Recommendations of West Savannah Revitalization Plan and Implementation Plan for Augusta Avenue Corridor;
 - Zoning changes required for redevelopment of Fellwood Homes site.

AUGUSTA AVENUE REVITALIZATION PLAN

Plan Components Completed and Underway



Streetscape & Public Space Improvements

- Phase 1: E. Lathrop Avenue to New Castle Street
- Phase 2: Graham Street to Fell Street
- Phase 3: Fell Street to New Castle Street

STREETSCAPE & PUBLIC SPACE IMPROVEMENTS



Phase 1 and Phase 2 (completed)

- Augusta Avenue resurfaced from E. Lathrop Ave. to Newell St.
- Overgrowth cleared; erosion control installed
- 1,690 LF of sidewalk installed/ repaired; 21 ADA ramps installed
- 1,360 LF of curb installed/repaired

STREETSCAPE & PUBLIC SPACE IMPROVEMENTS



Phase 1 and Phase 2, *continued*

- Eastern gateway retaining wall and sign repaired
- Off-street parking lot installed at New Castle Lane
- CAT bus stop amenities installed—retaining wall, bus shelter pads, new shelters

STREETSCAPE & PUBLIC SPACE IMPROVEMENTS



Phase 1 and Phase 2, *continued*

- Former Wingmen's Motorcycle Club site cleared and graded
- Adjacent parcels between Newell and Scarborough cleared and fenced
- Tree lawn installed and 40+ street trees planted

STREETSCAPE & PUBLIC SPACE IMPROVEMENTS



Phase 3

- Design, grading plan, planting plan, and engineering documents completed
- Plans include:
 - Sidewalks, ADA ramps, driveway aprons, tree lawn and street trees from Fell Street to New Castle Street
 - Stamped concrete crosswalks at Tulip, McIntyre, Densler, Chester, New Castle, Cumming and Newell streets
 - Stratford Street Passive Park installation

STREETSCAPE & PUBLIC SPACE IMPROVEMENTS



Augusta Avenue Corridor Revitalization Plan



STREETSCAPE & PUBLIC SPACE IMPROVEMENTS



Stratford Street Passive Park

- Design and landscape plan completed
- Passive green space with benches, paver walkway and gathering space, planting bed, ornamental fencing
- CAT bus pullover and shelter

STREETSCAPE & PUBLIC SPACE IMPROVEMENTS



STREETSCAPE & PUBLIC SPACE IMPROVEMENTS

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Phase 3 – Upcoming Activities

- Bidding for Phase 3 planned for 1st Quarter 2019.
- Contract award and construction planned for 2nd Quarter 2019.
- Construction completion planned for 3rd Quarter 2019.